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SUBJECT:FENCING FOR AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

REF: BANGKOK 17307

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WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE ADVERSE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT OF INSTALLING FENCING AROUND AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ARRIVAL OF NEW AMBASSADOR. AT THIS TIME WE HAVE NO ASSURANCE THAT TOTAL FUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COMPLETION OF SECURITY FENCING, ESTIMATED AT \$32,000 IN REFTEL PARA 4. HOWEVER, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED AN EXPENDITURE OF \$2,000 TO START BEFORE ARRIVAL OF AMBASSADOR ON NOV 19 INSTALLATION OF SOME ADDITIONAL FENCING IF EMBASSY CONSIDERS THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL IN MINIMIZING UNFAVORABLE PSYCHOLOGICAL CONNOTATIONS OF INSTALLING FENCING IN EARLY WEEKS OR EARLY MONTHS OF NEW AMBASSADOR'S TENURE. AMBASSADOR KINTNER WILL DEFER TO JUDGMENT OF DCM MASTERS IN THIS MATTER. RUSH

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